Revision of Trade Union Act, 1926

583. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to revise Trade Union Act of 1926;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry has approached Government to eliminate interference and politicisation of the Trade Unions; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) The Trade Unions (Amendment) Bill, 2000 has been introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 28.4.2000. The Bill has been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Labour and Welfare for their examination and report.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Legal Protection to Contract Labourers

584. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the problems of contract labour and construction workers in the country;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to give legal protection to the contract labour and construction workers;

(d) whether new legislations are proposed to be enacted for the purpose; and

(e) if so, the details of the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (e) The Central Government have enacted the Contract Labour